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Honorable Christopher H. Smith
House of Representatives
2353 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Smith:

This is in reply to your letter of March 25, 1993 to Chairman Quello regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

You are specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. In your letter, you cite to the comments filed in this proceeding by the Academy of Model Aeronautics, Inc. (AMA) and express your desire that the Commission consider the AMA's views before promulgating final rules. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take your concerns into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. We also look forward to receiving results of the testing planned by the AMA so that they can be considered as well. As indicated in the Notice, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

Thank you for your interest. Your letter will be included the formal record of this proceeding. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994.

Sincerely,

Edward R. Jacobs

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Acting Chief, Land Mobile & Microwave Division
Private Radio Bureau

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March 25, 1992

James Quello
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Dear Mr Quello:

I would like to bring to your attention the brief filed before the Federal Communications Commission by the "Academy of Model Aeronautics, Inc.".

The Academy's detailed report on PR Docket 92-235 makes some strong points for maintaining the 10 MHz separation. This separation allows modelers to co-exist adequately with

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